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TO AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED COMMERCIAL SALE OF 246 ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS TO SINGAPORE

REF: STATE 72947

1. AS NOTED REFTEL, CONGRESS WAS NOTIFIED ON MARCH 31 OF THE PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF A COMMERCIAL LICENSE FOR THE EXPORT OF APCS TO SINGAPORE. IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 36(C) OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT, AS AMENDED, CONGRESS MUST BE NOTIFIED THIRTY DAYS IN ADVANCE BEFORE LICENSE CAN BE ISSUED.

2. FOLLOWING ARE PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS OF UNCLASSIFIED LETTER OF NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS: QUOTE THE ATTACHED NOTIFICATION CONCERNS THE EXPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SINGAPORE OF ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS (APC) AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT. THE APC IS AN ENCLOSED ARMOR PLATED TRACKED VEHICLE WHICH CAN MOUNT 50 CALIBER MACHINE GUNS AND IS USED TO TRANSPORT AND SUPPORT INFANTRY UNITS. THE UNCLASSIFIED

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GOVERNMENT OF SINGAPORE IS UNDERTAKING A MODERNIZATION PROGRAM FOR ITS ARMY. THESE APC'S ARE TO REPLACE AN OLDER MODEL VEHICLE WHICH IS TO BE TURNED OVER TO RESERVE UNITS. DELIVERIES OF THE APC ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN APRIL 1977

AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN ONE YEAR.

THE U.S. FAVORS THIS EXPORT BECAUSE THE EQUIPMENT WILL
ADD TO THE STABILITY OF THIS STRATEGICALLY LOCATED NATION
OF THE ASEAN GROUP. THE RELATIVELY UNSOPHISTICATED APC
WILL ENHANCE THE SINGAPORE ARMY DEFENSE CAPABILITY AND IS
NOT LIKELY TO BE CONSIDERED THREATENING BY THAT NATION'S
NEIGHBORS UNQUOTE.

3. AS APPROPRIATE, EMBASSY MAY INFORM HOST GOVERNMENT
OF THIS NOTIFICATION.

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